

## § 550.187

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### § 550.187 Transitional provisions.

(a) Except as provided in paragraph (b) of this section, not later than the first day of the first pay period beginning on or after October 30, 1994, each criminal investigator qualified to receive availability pay and the appropriate supervisory officer (as designated by the agency head or authorized designee) shall make an initial certification to the head of the agency that the investigator is expected to meet the substantial hours requirement in § 550.183. The head of an agency may prescribe procedures necessary to administer this paragraph.

(b)(1) In the case of criminal investigators who are employed in offices of Inspectors General and who, immediately prior to September 30, 1994, were not receiving administratively uncontrollable overtime pay, or were receiving such pay at a rate of less than 25 percent, the employing office may delay implementation of availability pay; however, availability pay shall be implemented (in accordance with §§ 550.181 through 550.186) no later than—

(i) September 30, 1995, for investigators who are not receiving administratively uncontrollable overtime pay; or

(ii) The first day of the last pay period ending on or before September 30, 1995, for investigators who were receiving administratively uncontrollable overtime pay at a rate of less than 25 percent immediately prior to September 30, 1994.

(2) A criminal investigator who is employed in an Inspector General office and was receiving administratively uncontrollable overtime pay at a rate of less than 25 percent immediately prior to September 30, 1994, shall continue to receive at least that rate or a higher rate, if increased by the employing agency, until the availability pay provision is implemented for the position (no later than as provided in paragraph (b)(1)(ii) of this section).

(3) Implementation of availability pay for criminal investigators under paragraph (b)(1) of this section shall be in accordance with the requirements and conditions set forth in §§ 550.181 through 550.186. For qualified investigators, an initial certification shall

be made, consistent with paragraph (a) of this section.

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### Subpart B—Advances in Pay

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#### § 550.201 Purpose.

This subpart provides regulations to implement 5 U.S.C. 5524a which provides that the head of each agency may make advance payments of basic pay, covering not more than 2 pay periods, to any individual who is newly appointed to a position in the agency.

#### § 550.202 Definitions.

In this subpart: *Agency* means an Executive agency, as defined in 5 U.S.C. 105.

*Employee* means an individual employed in or under an agency who is appointed to a position with a scheduled tour of duty.

*Head of agency* means the head of an agency or an official who has been delegated the authority to act for the head of the agency in the matter concerned.

*Newly appointed* means—

(a) The first appointment, regardless of tenure, as an employee of the Federal Government;

(b) A new appointment following a break in service of at least 90 days; or

(c) A permanent appointment in the competitive service following termination of employment in an Internship Program (as described in 5 CFR part 362, subpart B), provided such employee—

(1) Was separated from the service, in a nonpay status, or a combination of both during the entire 90-day period immediately before the permanent appointment; and

(2) Has fully repaid any former advance in pay under § 550.205.

*Offset* or *setoff* means repayment in installments of an advance in pay by payroll deductions or an administrative offset under subpart K of this part to collect a debt under 5 U.S.C. 5514